



# St. Peter's Church

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## Mass Times:

### Sunday Masses

Sat. : 6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Sun. : 9.15 & 11.00 am &

6.00 pm : Student Mass  
(University term-time only)

### Weekday Masses

Mon-Wed, Fri: 9.30 am

Thurs : 7.00 pm

Sat : 10.30 am

### Holy Days of Obligation

Mass: 9.30 am & 7.00 pm

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Sat 11.00 am – 12 noon

### Morning Prayer

Mon-Wed, Fri : 9.10 am

### Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

After Mass on Tuesday

### Rosary

After Mass on Wednesday

First Friday : 7.30 pm

### Confessions

Sat 11-12, 5.15-5.45 pm  
or by request

### Baptism – See Fr. Mark

Preparation obligatory

### Marriage – 6 months notice

Preparation obligatory

## Last week's collection

£662.52

Thank-you

Parish Priest: *Fr. Mark Vickers*

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## Sixth Sunday of Easter: Year C



from Him.

**Fr. Mark writes:** "I leave you peace, My peace I give you." We hear these words of Jesus every time Mass is celebrated. It is His parting gift to His disciples – and what a precious gift it is. So often, at best, the world knows little more than a temporary ceasefire, a momentary lull in a conflict. The inner peace which comes from the knowledge that we are at rights with God and our neighbour, from a quiet conscience, is far more profound and permanent. That peace can survive even all the turmoil the world can throw at us. It is a gift which, even if lost, can be re-gained through the beautiful sacrament of Confession. It is a peace which comes from Christ, and only

## Tea Party

We are blessed with a vibrant student community at St. Peter's. They in turn are grateful to the parish for the use of the premises and want to say thank-you by inviting you to a tea party in the Hall at **3.30-5.00 pm** this (Sunday) afternoon. The students will provide refreshments, but I am sure they wouldn't object if you brought a cake along with you. Please do call by.

## First Holy Communions

Next **Sunday, 16 May** is one of the happiest days of the parish's year. Nine of our children make their First Holy Communion at the **11 am Mass**. It is a parish Mass and everyone is welcome to attend, although the front pews will be reserved for the children and their families. If you want a shorter, less crowded Mass, please consider attending the 9.15 Mass or the 6.00 pm Mass on Saturday or Sunday evening. Please pray for Victoria, Nicola, Ellie, Will, Jack, Anthony, Cynthia, George and Holly-Louise as they prepare to receive Jesus for the first time.

## Parish Council

The Parish Council meets at **8.00 pm** on **Monday, 17 May**. If you haven't received them already by E-Mail, there are copies of the Minutes and Agenda for members in the sacristy.

## A Morning with Mary

May is the month of Our Lady. We will celebrate with a morning of devotions, incorporating the usual Mass and Novena, together with refreshments, on **Tuesday, 25 May**.

## Filipino Evening

As predicted this event on **Saturday, 29 May** has proved extremely popular, and all the tickets have been sold. For safety reasons, admission is by ticket only.

## Summer Conferences

A Catholic youth conference can make all the difference in the world as we make lifelong friends and make sense of our faith. I recommend these three. See me for details/applications.

1. **Faith Summer Conference**, 2-6 August, for those under 30 who have been confirmed. Daily Mass, prayer, excellent talks, sport and social events in the beautiful, country setting of Woldingham School in the North Downs, Surrey. A group of students/ young parishioners will attend from St. Peter's. Cost : £120 (students/unwaged) or £145 (employed).

2. **Faith Summer Break**, 16-19 August, for those aged 11-15. Four days of talks, prayer, sport, activities and a trip to Chessington World of Adventure. Same venue. Last year our young people thoroughly enjoyed their time at the Summer Break. Cost : £120.

3. **Evangelium Conference**, 6-8 August, a weekend for young adults (18-35), explaining the Catholic faith to the modern world, at the Oratory School, Reading. A series of excellent speakers organised in conjunction with the Catholic Truth Society. Cost : £120.

**Parish Office**

Fridays : 9.00 am-1.00 pm

**St Philip Howard Primary & Pre-School** – 01707 263969**Nicholas Breakspear Senior Mixed** – 01727 860079**Loreto College Senior Girls** 01727 856206**John Henry Newman Senior Mixed** – 01438 314643**QEII Hospital Catholic Chaplaincy**  
Bernadette Cassidy  
07884 187463**Youth Group**Jemma Emmans  
01707 880703**Ignatian Prayer Group** – alternate Tuesdays  
David Barham 01707 266551**Planned giving envelopes**  
Pat Malsher – 01707 265530**APF Mission Boxes**  
Heather Coakley 01707 269153**Hall Bookings**  
Heather Coakley 01707 269153**St Peter's Power Running and Walking Group**  
Mondays in term time  
Michael & Linda Blissett  
01707 885933**Daily Mass**

Are you free to attend daily Mass? It is one of the most important things we can do for ourselves and our parish. There is Mass most weekdays at 9.30 am. If you work, Mass is at 7 pm most Thursdays and 10.30 am on Saturdays.

**Repository**

The Repository is the shop at the back of church open after Sunday Masses. There is a wide selection of Catholic papers and books as well as Bibles, missals, cards, rosaries and other devotional items. Please take a moment to browse and buy.

**Readings at Sunday Mass**

Acts 15: 1-2. 22-29      Apocalypse 21: 10-14. 22-23      John: 14: 23-29

Psalm 66 Response: **Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
Let all the peoples praise you.**Gospel Acclamation : **Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,  
And my Father will love him, and we shall come to Him.'****Prayer of the Church** : Psalter Week 2**Weekly Rotas****Flowers:** Edita & friends      **Church cleaning :** Pauline Hayes & Roshan Senanayake**Shop:** 18.00 Bobby McGrath      9.15 Pauline O'Toole 11.00 Heather Coakley**Welcome:** 18.00 Elizabeth Clarke      9.15 Audrey McGuire 11.00 Maria Stewart**Mass Intentions for the Week 9 - 16 May 2010**

Saturday, 8 May	18.00	Pro Populo
Sunday, 9 May	9.15	Pro Populo
<i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	11.00	Andrew Penman, Anniv
	18.00	Holy Souls
Monday, 10 May	9.30	Canon Olly Kelly, Anniv
Tuesday, 11 May	9.30	Holy Souls
Wednesday, 12 May	9.30	Holy Souls
Thursday, 13 May	19.00	Private Intentions
Friday, 14 May	9.30	Mike Ronayne, Anniv
<i>St Matthias</i>		
Saturday, 15 May	10.30	Fr Gerry Meaney, RIP
	18.00	John Brennan, Anniv
Sunday, 16 May	9.15	Holy Souls
<i>Ascension of the Lord</i>	11.00	First Communion Children
	18.00	Pro Populo

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:**

Theresa Edwards, Mike Faithfull, Bethan Larking, Margaret Lovatt Dugan, Sheila McAleer, Hugh McGrath, Joe McKenna, Christina Newman, Peggy O'Connor, Christopher O'Toole, Anne Smith

**Pilgrimage : Rome & Assisi**

A pilgrimage is a wonderful way to deepen our faith, make new friends and enjoy ourselves. There are just a handful of places remaining on our parish pilgrimage to Rome & Umbria which is **23-30 October**. The list will close at the end of June. Please pick up a brochure, and ask me for an application form.

**Pedal Against Poverty**

There is a 19 or 10 mile sponsored cycle ride and picnic in Lea Valley Park to raise funds for CAFOD overseas development work on **Sunday, 13 June**. Registration fee : £6. For further information contact 0208 449 6970 or [www.cafod.org.uk/pedalagainstpverty](http://www.cafod.org.uk/pedalagainstpverty)

**Ss. Alban & Stephen : Children & Youth Coordinator**

The parish in St Albans is looking to employ an experienced, creative person to coordinate youth ministry and support the sacramental preparation teams. They are offering a two year contract with a salary of £20-22K depending on experience. Closing date : 21 May. For information packs contact (01727) 853585 or [alban\\_stephen@lineone.net](mailto:alban_stephen@lineone.net)